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SUBJECT: WHALING IN PERU

REFERENCE: (A) STATE 66889; (B) STATE 67784 (NOTAL)

1. PERUVIAN EMBASSY COUNSELOR HUMBERTO URTEAGA CALLED
AT DEPT. OF COMMERCE ON APRIL 6, 1977, TO REVIEW WITH
NOAA OFFICIALS (DR. W. ARON, DIRECTOR OF ECOLOGY AND
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND P. FOX, INT'L RELATIONS
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SPECIALIST) AND STATE DEPT. REP (OES/SANDERS) THE OUTLOOK
FOR POSSIBLE U.S. EMBARGO OF PERUVIAN FISHERY EXPORTS
UNDER PELLY AMENDMENT (REFTELS) BECAUSE OF IMPACT OF PERU-
VIAN WHALING ON INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION (IWC)
CONSERVATION PROGRAM.

2. URTEAGA SAID THAT THERE IS SOME GOP SUPPORT IN LIMA

FOR JOINING IWC AND THAT HIS EMBASSY SAW MERIT IN PERU'S DOING SO AND WOULD PROBABLY SO RECOMMEND. HOWEVER, HE WAS CONCERNED AT EFFECT IN LIMA OF "U.S. PRESSURE", WHICH MIGHT STRENGTHEN COUNTERVAILING OPINION WITHIN GOP AGAINST IWC MEMBERSHIP.

3. U.S. REPS EMPHASIZED THAT INITIAL U.S. PROCEDURE NOW UNDER WAY UNDER PELLY AMENDMENT, I.E., EFFORT TO DETERMINE WHETHER PERUVIAN WHALING INDEED WAS DETRIMENTAL TO IWC CONSERVATION PROGRAM, IS OBLIGATORY PROCESS UNDER U.S. LAW, AND USG HAS LITTLE FLEXIBILITY ON QUESTION AT THIS STAGE. HOWEVER, PRESIDENT'S FINAL DECISION IN MATTER IS DISCRETIONARY, AND RECOMMENDATION BY SECRETARY OF COMMERCE TO PRESIDENT ON WHETHER ULTIMATELY TO IMPOSE PELLY AMENDMENT SANCTIONS WOULD BE FAVORABLY INFLUENCED BY A DECISION BY PERU TO JOIN IWC. US GOAL IS STRENGTHENED AND EXPANDED INTERNATIONAL WHALE CONSERVATION REGIME, WITH A SCIENTIFICALLY BASED CATCH QUOTA SYSTEM WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTED BY ALL COUNTRIES CONCERNED. PERUVIAN MEMBERSHIP IN IWC WOULD BE MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY OUTCOME. PERU HAS BEEN REPRESENTED AT PAST IWC ANNUAL MEETINGS BY OBSERVER AND THUS IS FAMILIAR WITH WORKINGS OF THE ORGANIZATION. NEXT IWC MEETING, WHICH WILL BE HELD THIS JUNE IN CANBERRA, UNDER AUSTRALIAN CHAIRMANSHIP, WOULD AFFORD EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR PERU TO BECOME REGULAR PARTICIPANT IN IWC PROGRAM.

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